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Subject: RE: Digital App-based Micro Movers Task Force Information

Hi Amanda. My comments follow:

AWB supports new industries, including digital app based micromovers. Companies like digital app based micromovers should be allowed to innovate and provide needed services in a free market. AWB also recognizes the role of governments in implementing regulations that ensure an even playing field among competing industries, and more importantly to provide protections for consumers. In this case, digital app based micromovers are seeking a statewide regulatory scheme for their industry.

This effort has raised the question of whether existing laws already cover digital app based micromovers or whether a new framework should be created.

The industry believes that because they are a broker and not actually moving goods, they are not subject to current permitting requirements, nor are its workers who they consider independent contractors. It was stated that using a digital app based platform should trigger a different (and lesser) standard of regulations. While I understand the distinction that app based micromovers are merely brokers connecting potential customers with movers, that should not wash away important consumer protections provided in the current common carrier or household good permit requirements.

Further, we share the concerns of insurance companies regarding the lack of liability coverage on workers performing commercial activities. And we oppose any changes to the existing independent contractor requirements while they are currently under review by a separate task force. This includes opposing any recommendations to amend the definition of a truck.

I look forward to continued participation in the task force.

Regards,

Mike

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Hey everyone,

Just a friendly reminder, please send your feedback on the draft crosswalk to me by end of day today.

Also, our next meeting will be held on Friday, Oct. 19 from 10 a.m. until noon, here at the UTC. If you are unable to attend, join by phone at 360-407-3810, conference ID: 29094.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Have a great weekend!

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